

GARDNER LAKE AUTHORITY

270 Hartford Road
Salem, CT 06240

Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2013
Bozrah Senior Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Jim McArdle, Acting Chair.

Attendees

Bozrah: Jim McArdle, Scott Soderberg
Montville: Ed Socha, Jr., Bill Wrobel, Kate Johnson
Salem: Bob Neddo

Excused: Henry Granger, Russ Smith
Absent: Lou Allen

Guests in attendance: 6

Minutes

The minutes of the May 9, 2013 meeting were presented. Bill Wrobel made a motion to accept the May minutes; seconded by Bob Neddo. The motion was unanimously accepted.

Attachments

- Treasurer's Report from 4/16/2013 through 5/15/2013

Correspondence & Communication

- **Boater Safety Course flyer**, *revised*
- **P2VIEW**: CT DEEP Newsletter Spring 2013
- **Thames River Basin Partnership Floating Workshop XIII flyer**
- **2013 Salem Payment**: received, in the amount of \$7,315.
- **Staples Invoice**: Kate Johnson reimbursement request for \$22.31 for paper (1 ream each: 8-1/2 x 11 and 8-1/2 x 14). Ed Socha made a motion to accept the request; seconded by Bill Wrobel. The motion was unanimously accepted.

Treasurer's Report

Presented by Scott. Kate Johnson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report from 4/16/13 through 5/15/13; seconded by Ed Socha. The motion was unanimously accepted.

Committee Business

- Law Enforcement Patrol**: Bill received the Patrol Report from Gregg Jacobson for Memorial Day Weekend. There was one no-wake warning issued and 6 safety inspections were performed.
- Boating**: Bob reported that in addition to passing the boater safety course, a conservation number is now required in order to get a boater's license. This is a new policy and the conservation number can be obtained online.
- Water Quality Sampling**: Scott has started taking samples, and reported that Dr. Kortmann will be ordering the equipment that GLA has contracted for this year's Gardner Lake Client Coop Monitoring Program. Set-up, calibration, consulting and training of GLA members will need to be scheduled when the equipment arrives.

Old Business

- **Pequot Ledge/Minnie Island No-Wake Zone:** Mike Magliano, co-owner of Pequot Ledge Campground along with Barbara Magliano, has spoken with Eleanor Mariani and Tim Delgado, both with CT DEEP; and Kate did speak with Tim Delgado also. Tim's recommended course of action, which would likely be the easiest, would be for GLA to request that the Town of Montville create an ordinance limiting the speed between Pequot Ledge and Minnie Island. Tim Delgado offered his services to help wordsmith an ordinance. By GLA consensus, Kate and Mike will plan to meet with Town official(s) on behalf of GLA to initiate the ordinance process.
- **Drawdown Invoice:** Kate phoned Robert Kaliszewski in the Commissioner's office to request an itemized drawdown invoice for 2012-13, but he was out of the office for a period of time. We did learn from DEEP that the main reason GLA must pay for a state drawdown is because we request one. Many of the State's dammed waterbodies [from large to very small farm streams] do not require drawdowns. Because there is so much private property on Gardner Lake that needs to be managed, the State is called upon to lower this dam.
- **Land Beneath State Waters:** When land is flooded by a state dam, the State gains ownership of the land below the water, although that land is still a part of the Town that it is located in. There are certain exceptions to this rule of land ownership where private parties are able to hold ownership.
- **Fireworks:** It was reported that fireworks on the lake are being planned for Friday, July 5th, with a rain date of Saturday, July 6th. GLA is waiting for confirmation of those dates.

New Business None.

Public Comment

- **Friends of Gardner Lake:** Sue Coffee expressed concern regarding the State creating these recreational resources, which are attracting so many people and boats, and not taking responsibility for their safe management. Sue also raised the issue of the extremely limited presence of the Lake Patrol. Matters were discussed, with Sue hoping to see more networking.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 11, 2013 at the Montville Town Hall at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment

Ed Socha made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.; seconded by Bob Neddo. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Kate Johnson,
Secretary